

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Amend the paragraph beginning on page 3 at line 8 as follows:

As shown in Fig. 16, articles are mounted to portions of the automobile body that require protection[[,]]. The portions are the sides, the left and right front portions, and the left and right rear portions of the automobile.

Amend the paragraph beginning on page 3 at line 12 as follows:

Optionally, the [[The]] articles mounted for protecting the automobile body are moved horizontally and are stored by electric power.

Amend the paragraph beginning on page 5 at line 8 as follows, which is reformatted into three paragraphs:

The present invention will be described in more detail with reference to the attached drawings. Fig. 1 is a partial enlarged side view of the present invention in which a rotary shaft 3 and an article 1 for protecting an automobile body (referred to also as a “first article”) are mounted to an article 2 (referred to also as a “second article”) having the same material as the automobile body. The article 2 having the same material as the automobile body is made the same as the automobile body or made similarly with a lightweight material while the article 1 for protecting the automobile body is protecting the automobile body or is stored in the automobile body.

The rotary shaft 3, having an axis of rotation, is connected to a device for installing by electric power the article 1 for protecting the automobile body into a state in which the article 1 protects the automobile body and into a state in which the article 1 is stored in the automobile body.

As is apparent from the drawings, the first article 1 and the second article 2 are attached to form a rotatable body, which rotates about the axis of rotation of rotary shaft 3. The rotatable body has a first position and a second position such that, in the first position, the first article 1 extends from the automobile body to protect the automobile body, and, in the second position, the first article 1 is concealed within the automobile body. The rotating body must rotate 180 degrees to change its position from the first position to the second position. In the embodiment shown in Fig. 1, with respect to a cross-section taken perpendicular to the axis of rotation, the axis of rotation extends along the center of the second article 2. A switch is operative to activate electric power to rotate the rotating body between the first position and the second position.

The article 1 for protecting the automobile body may be formed of rubber, metal, plastic, or any other various materials for protecting the automobile body, or may be formed of a combination of these materials.

Amend the paragraph beginning on page 7 at line 4 as follows:

~~In another embodiment~~ Optionally, a device for horizontally moving and storing an article for protecting the automobile body ~~is provided~~ may be added.

Delete page 11 in its entirety.